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## ENGLISH, THE WORLD LANGUAGE

The Philippine commission has decided that Spanish shall be the official language in the courts of the islands for five years, and at the end of that time English will probably be introduced. President Taft wisely ruled that to adopt English now would be to exclude from practice many Filipino lawyers who know only Spanish and native dialects.

Undoubtedly this decision on the part of the commission is but another step toward making English the nearest to a universal language. The contest for linguistic supremacy is gradually being narrowed down to a struggle between the English and distinctly Latin tongues, with English steadily gaining the ascendancy. Russia has obliterated the language of the Finlanders, but this slight gain for the Slav is as nothing to the gains which the English tongue has made in all corners of the world in recent years.

In Europe the bulk of travel is so overwhelmingly English or American that a knowledge of the English tongue has become necessary for the successful continental business man. Only a few days ago a member of the Republican staff received a letter from his daughter, who is now traveling in Germany, in which she said: "You hear a great deal of English spoken here. In almost every shop window you see the sign 'English spoken here.' Practically the same conditions prevail throughout France. In Mexico the constantly growing American influence is making itself felt in a consequent growth of English language principal towns. In five years English will doubtless be as familiar as Spanish to most Filipinos, and its installation as the official language in the Philippines will be more a matter of course than a matter of law. There is nothing more astonishing, then, in the growth of Anglo-Saxon supremacy, than the adaptability and vitality of the English language.

## NO INCOME TAX FOR FRANCE.

In connection with the attempt to set up an income tax in this Territory it is well to look at the experience of the French Chamber of Deputies, only a few weeks ago, to make a start towards the enactment of an income tax. France like Hawaii is confronted with a depleted treasury. Accordingly one of the first acts of the new Budget Committee in the Chamber was to vote a proposition that the Minister should insert in his estimates for 1902 the principle of a tax on incomes, leaving the rate and method of assessment to be afterward arranged. They promised in return the suppression of two of the direct taxes—the habitation tax and that on doors and windows. But the Finance Minister denounced the plan.

The very name of an income tax is hated in republican France as it is in republican America, and the Budget Committee of the French Senate is as much opposed to it as the Finance Minister. With steadily increasing outgo and a diminishing income, however, the financial problem in France is becoming serious. It is now proposed by the Budget Committee of the Chamber to secure an enforced return of all incomes in France—merely for statistical purposes—but it is not to be supposed that Parliament can be fooled into voting such an obvious step toward an income tax in the face of the opposition of the Senate and of the Finance Minister.

## House Warning Tea.

Members and friends of the Young Women's Christian Association are invited to an informal afternoon tea in the new rooms 410 and 411 Boston building, Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 6. Mrs. E. W. Jordan, Mrs. A. B. Wood, Mrs. Henry Waterhouse, Mrs. B. F. Dillingham and Mrs. H. C. Brown are the hostesses. A cordial invitation is extended to all ladies to drop in for tea and inspection of the new rooms.

In the Kern river petroleum districts compressed air is being applied to the walls to lift the oil to the surface where pumping is necessary.

## CONDENSED TELEGRAMS

Quiet has been restored at Argentina.

The transport McPherson has again been floated.

The rumor that plague exists in Rio Janeiro is denied.

The second son of the Kaiser has entered the army.

The Czar of Russia has come out favoring manual training.

General Wood, governor of Cuba, is on the road to recovery.

W. K. Vanderbilt has a new automobile capable of great speed.

The Khedive of Egypt paid a visit to the Sultan of Turkey, July 6th.

Plans are in progress by the War Department for the betterment of the army.

A heavy emigration was reported from Germany during the past six months.

The cruiser Newark made the trip from Hongkong to New York in forty six days.

Andrew Carnegie has declined the proffered candidacy of mayor of New York city.

More than 4000 persons have been drowned by recent floods in the province of Kiangsi.

E. H. Conger will sail in the Nippon Maru from San Francisco for China on the 17th.

The inauguration of the purely civil government is expected to give a considerable impetus to business at Manila.

Customs collections of Mexico, for June are \$2,333,973, which is fully up to the estimate of the Finance Department.

Scheeper's Boer command has entered Murrayburg, Cape Colony, and burned the public buildings and residences.

Ballington Booth at the head of the Salvation Army of America has sued the town of Montclair, N. J., for damages.

Twenty-seven English boys recently passed an examination in London for admission to the Boston Institute of Technology.

The resignation of James G. Stowe, the United States Consul to Cape Town, has been received at the State Department.

New York dealers in rare postage stamps are talking about a "stamp trust" as the latest thing in the combination line.

The town of Versailles, O., was entirely destroyed by fire, July 8, which started in the grain elevator of J. S. Seiber & Co.

Clifford Smyth, formerly United States Consul at Cartagena, Colombia, has started from Brooklyn to walk to San Francisco.

The search for the \$30,000 stolen from the United States Mint of San Francisco has failed so far to bring to light a single coin.

The price of mules and horses in the transmississippi States has advanced 25 per cent as a result of the tremendous English demand.

Probate Judge J. C. Brady of Kootenai county, Idaho, was fatally shot by a crazy man named Henry Wilmbury at Rathdrum, Idaho, July 8.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, surgeon of the Peary Arctic Club's expedition to succor Peary's party, was to sail on July 6, from North Sydney, C. B.

Emperor William has blossomed out as a builder of electric railways, according to two American engineers who have just returned from Berlin.

Prince von Hatzfeldt says there was no truth in the report that he and the Princess were going to contest the will of the late C. P. Huntington.

Damage to the extent of \$100,000 was sustained in the destruction of the railroad shops of the Colorado and Southern at Clarendon, Tex., July 6th.

There is now but little hope of the Sheriff's posse overtaking the men who held up the Great Northern express train at Wagner, Mont., July 3.

The proclamation of President McKinley opening to settlement the lands ceded by Indians in the Territory of Oklahoma was given to the public, July 7.

Professor Joseph Le Conte of the University of California expired suddenly at Camp Curry, Yosemite Valley, July 3, of angina pectoris, a heart affection.

The delay in the construction of battleships, both in England and in the United States, has at last begun to arouse the indignation of high naval authorities.

News reached Texarkana, Ark., July 7, that two men were killed and two wounded in a desperate fight between four or five negroes near Index, that morning.

Elias B. Dunn, better known to New Yorkers as "Farmer" Dunn, will not be reappointed to his former place as forecast official of the Weather Bureau in New York.

Sidney Locke of Lockport, N. S., killed his three children, aged 15, 11 and 8, respectively, July 8. The man has been suffering from mental trouble for some time.

An earthquake shock at Long Beach, Cal., July 8, was followed by a disturbed condition of the ocean, such as old salts say has not been seen within their memory.

A Sheriff's jury in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, declared Miss Anna King Gilman, half-sister of the late millionaire tea merchant, George F. Gilman, insane July 8.

Gibraltar is to be strengthened by a breakwater on the east, where battleships can coal under complete shelter by means of a light railway through a rock tunnel.

The Southern Pacific Company is making elaborate preparations to handle the crowds that are coming to the Epworth League Convention at San Francisco. New eating-places

are being established at various points along the central Pacific between Ogden and San Francisco.

The newly adopted charter for Fresno, Cal., went into effect at midnight on July 7, and now Fresno has a Mayor, a Police Judge and other officials which it did not have before.

The Pope has sent a letter to the superiors and generals of the religious orders and institutions condemning the French legislation against congregations.

James Gordon Bennett's new steam yacht, the Lysistrata, is just receiving the finishing touches at the yards of Denny & Dumbarton, on the Clyde. The Lysistrata is of 2000 tons measurement.

The Abyssinians failed to discover the mad Mullah, July 7, although they attacked the tribe supporting him and killed 200 of them. The correspondent adds that their provisions are exhausted.

Kansas farmers will lose \$100,000, because of the drought which during the last three months has almost ruined the corn, destroyed all hope for oats and seriously damaged fruit, hay and vegetables.

Pierre Lorillard died July 1. The death of Mr. Lorillard took place at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, where he was taken from the Deutschland when that steamer arrived from Europe, July 4th.

The arrest and imprisonment incommunicado of Father Icaza, a parish priest of the Church of St. Catarina, City of Mexico, has created a profound sensation. He is accused of grave crimes against women.

Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt has bought from William West Durant, Sagamore Lodge, the forest reserve of 1500 acres at South Inlet Falls on Shedd lake, ten miles from Racquette lake in the Adirondacks.

Captain Bowman H. McCalla, who has just been transferred from the command of the cruiser Newark to that of the new battle-ship Kearsage, has been in the service of the United States Navy for over thirty years.

The town of Riato, Cal., was the scene of a sensational episode, July 6, at which time John H. Caruthers was horsewhipped on a public thoroughfare by Mrs. H. B. Thomas, wife of a prominent business man of that place.

A head-on collision occurred near Ashland, Ore., July 8, between the southbound Southern Pacific express train and a northbound special from San Francisco carrying soldiers who had been mustered out. One tramp was killed.

Allen O. Meyers has brought suit in the District Court of Columbus, O., for \$50,000 damages against the Grand Lodge of Elks. He claims that he was wrongfully and illegally expelled from the order, that his newspaper, the Elks, was destroyed.

The resumption of the mills of the Republican Iron and Steel Company, the baron combine, July 8 at Youngstown, O., is general, after a week's shut-down for repairs, and 25,000 iron-workers in the twenty-eight mills of the country returned to work.

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